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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO LOPEZ PORTILLO

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CARTER
TO PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO (ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED).
2. BEGIN QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

ROSALYNN AND I GREATLY ENJOYED YOUR AND CARMEN'S VISIT
TO WASHINGTON. IT WAS AN HONOR TO US, AND A SYMBOL OF
OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH YOU, TO HAVE YOU AS THE FIRST STATE
VISITORS DURING MY ADMINISTRATION.

YOUR STAY ENABLED US TO LAY A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR EVEN
CLOSER AND FRIENDLIER RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR NATIONS. AS
YOU SUGGESTED DURING THE WELCOMING CEREMONY, AMICABLE
NEIGHBORS, WHO UNDERSTAND ONE ANOTHER AND ACT IN GOOD
FAITH, CAN FIND SOLUTIONS TO WHATEVER PROBLEMS MAY ARISE.
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AS WE DISCUSSED DURING OUR MEETINGS, I WANT TO PROPOSE
AN AGENDA OF ISSUES WHICH BOTH OUR GOVERNMENTS MIGHT
EXAMINE INTENSIVELY OVER THE NEW FEW MONTHS, COVERING
THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

-- TRADE, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON INCREASING

THE FLOW OF, AND ACHIEVING A BETTER BALANCE IN, BOTH AGRICULTURAL AND MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS.

-- INVESTMENT, ESPECIALLY CONCERNING MEXICO'S DEVELOPMENT NEEDS AND MEASURES THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN TO ENCOURAGE LONG-TERM INVESTMENT.

-- FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, WITH DISCUSSION OF U.S. AND MEXICAN MEASURES THAT COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE STABILIZATION OF THE MEXICAN ECONOMY AND MEXICO'S DESIRE FOR INCREASED ACCESS TO THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

-- UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS, WITH STRESS ON THE NEED FOR MUTUAL, HUMANE EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM.

-- ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN NARCOTICS, ARMS AND SMUGGLED GOODS, WITH CONSIDERATION OF COOPERATIVE MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN, PARTICULARLY IN THE BORDER AREA.

-- ENERGY, WITH DISCUSSION OF MEXICO'S DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND NEEDS FOR IMPORTED TECHNOLOGY AND FINANCING.

-- TOURISM, WITH DISCUSSION OF MEASURES TO INCREASE THE FLOW IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.

-- BORDER ENVIRONMENT, WITH DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEMS OF CROSS-BORDER TRAFFIC, WATER USAGE, POLLUTION, BORDER INDUSTRIES AND CRIME.

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AS YOU KNOW, I AM SEEKING EARLY RATIFICATION BY OUR SENATE OF THE TREATY COVERING THE PRISONERS IN EACH COUNTRY. I BELIEVE WE SHOULD DISCUSS WAYS TO ENSURE PROPER TREATMENT OF PERSONS ARRESTED OR DETAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EACH OF OUR COUNTRIES' LAWS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR VIEWS AND COMMENTS ON THESE ITEMS, AND ON ANY OTHER TOPICS WE MIGHT USEFULLY DISCUSS. ONCE WE HAVE AGREED ON THE SPECIFIC SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED, WE CAN DECIDE ON THE BEST WAYS TO DEVELOP AND COORDINATE OUR POLICIES.

LET ME SAY ONCE MORE HOW MUCH I VALUE OUR FRIENDSHIP AND HOW MUCH I LOOK FORWARD TO A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU.

CORDIALLY, JIMMY CARTER. END QUOTE.

3. WE DO NOT INTEND TO RELEASE AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE

PRESIDENTS AGREED THIS WOULD BE A CONFIDENTIAL EXCHANGE
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